



TOWNSHIP OF WALL
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 8, 2023

7:00 P.M.

MAIN MEETING ROOM

Committeeman Becht	Present	Administrator Bertrand	Present
Committeeman Clayton	Present	Attorney Kean	Absent
Committeeman Orender	Present	Township Clerk Lang	Present
Deputy Mayor Mangan	Present	Attorney Alfieri	Present
Mayor Farrell	Present		

Salute to the Flag and a Moment of Silence.

Sunshine Statement:

In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act," Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the following manner: the annual notice was forwarded to the official Township newspapers and was posted in the Wall Township Municipal Building. All notices are on file with the Township Clerk.

Roll Call

Consent Agenda

All items listed on the "Consent Agenda" are considered routine by the Township and will be adopted or approved collectively by a single motion and roll-call vote of a majority of the Township Committee. All items are available for public inspection at this meeting and in the office of the Township Clerk. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on any item, it will be considered separately. The Mayor asks if any member of the Township Committee wishes to consider any item separately. If not, he/she requests a motion to approve the items listed.

Approval of Minutes:

- o 2/8/2023

Resolution No. 23-0301 - Approval of vouchers for February 23, 2023, through March 8, 2023, in the amount of \$7,905,880.54

Resolution No. 23-0302 - Authorization to execute a shared service agreement with the Borough of Spring Lake Heights for licensed water and waste water operator services

Resolution No. 23-0303 - Authorization to appoint Nicholas Ritchie to the Environmental Advisory Committee/Green Team

Resolution No. 23-0304 - Authorization to appoint Lon Harry to the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

Resolution No. 23-0305 - Authorization to close various Township Street(s) for the purpose of a block party

- o Camden and Newark Avenue – Saturday, March 18, 2023, from 3:00pm-10:00pm

End of Consent Agenda

Motion - Second - Roll Call Vote

Administrator Bertrand

- o He explained Resolution No. 23-0302 in further detail

Roll Call Vote: Consent Agenda

Committeeman Becht	Yea		
Committeeman Clayton	Motion - Yea		
Committeeman Orender	Second - Yea		
Deputy Mayor Mangan	Yea		
Mayor Farrell	Yea		
Yea	Nay	Recuse	Absent
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Committee Reports:

Committeeman Clayton: Administration, Finance, Personnel, Board of Education, Economic Development

Committee Chair's Reports:

Committeeman Clayton:

- Committeeman Clayton reported that the administration and finance subcommittee met on the budget. He noted that the greatest challenge the Township's 2023 budget will face this year will be the non-discretionary spending increase specifically pensions, insurance costs and utilities, specifically Natural Gas. He maintained that the Township will remain fiscally responsible.

Administrator Bertrand:

- He provided an update on the 2023 Municipal budget.
- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to renew the lease for Block 804 Lot 8.03 – 3010 Allaire Road to Jacqueline and Brian Riccio for the purpose of farming
- He noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to execute a Rights-Of-Way agreement by and between the Township of Wall ("Municipality") and Comcast Business Communications, LLC, to permit the installation, use and maintenance of telecommunications facilities within public rights-of-way for purposes of providing telecommunications services
- He announced that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Public Meeting regarding White Swan Superfund Site to be held Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 6:00pm at Townhall Main Meeting Room

Committeeman Becht: Public Safety, Municipal Court, Board of Health

Committeeman Becht:

- Committeeman Becht reported that the Police Department has received a lot of positive publicity. He made note of Lieutenant Hatch graduated from the 16-week course of the New Jersey State Police Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership academy.
- He reported that Patrolman Malone will be recognized for all of the work he has done with Veterans.
- He noted that the Attorney General's office thanked the Wall Police Department for the arrest and capture of an alleged hate crime.

Administrator Bertrand:

- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be updating the towing ordinance: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALL, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND

SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 206, TOWING AND STORAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLES,
SECTION 5, "FEES", OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

Attorney Alfieri:

- Attorney Alfieri discussed the genesis of the need to revise the ordinance and the challenges with the State fees.

Committeeman Orender: Public Works, Veteran Service's

Committeeman Orender:

- Committeeman Orender reported that all items are ongoing with the Department of Public Works.
- He announced that the coffee with the Veteran's went well.

Administrator Bertrand:

- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to execute a contract with Detcon Corp. for the purchase of 624 96-gallon Toter carts through Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program #04152-TOT at a price not to exceed \$48,160.32.
- He noted that the Township would need to amend Resolution No. 23-0146 because of supply chain issues. He noted that the Township would like to change the purchase for a 2022 model of the backhoe; he explained that the specification were the same.

Deputy Mayor Mangan: Recreation, Monmouth County Library, Wall Community Alliance, Senior Citizen Advisory, Women's Leadership

Deputy Mayor Mangan:

- Deputy Mayor Mangan announced that the Library meeting will be on Monday, March 13, 2023.
- She announced that the Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 1, 2023, Touch a Truck is scheduled for April 29, 2023, a Super-Hero Family Fun Run on May 7, 2023 and the Wall Fair scheduled for June 29, 2023 – July 2, 2023.
- She noted that the Women's Leadership Committee is scheduled for March 21, 2023.

Mayor Farrell: Department of Land Use and Development, West Belmar Gateway, InfoAge, Environmental Advisory Committee

Mayor Farrell:

- Mayor Farrell reported that the West Belmar Gateway Solar project is almost complete.
- He noted that all other items are ongoing.
- He congratulated Lieutenant Hatch and the Police Department.

Public Comment: Opportunity for anyone to comment with a limit of five (5) minutes per speaker

The public comment portion of our meeting is to allow the public to bring to the Committee's attention their concerns or comments. In accordance with NJSA 10: 4-12(a), the Committee asks the public to limit their comments to five minutes or less. The Committee will respect the public's time by refraining any comment until the speaker has finished with their allotted time. It should be further noted that the public comment portion of our meeting is not structured as a question-and-answer session. If a member of the public has questions, they seek answers to, an appointment can be made with the Township Administrator's office during regular business hours. The attorney will regulate the time during the comment portion of our meeting.

Peter Kresky – Manito Road:

- He reported on the flooding issue he faces at his residence and noted that it is a result of the detention basin not being maintained. He noted that he spoke with the Township Engineer who advised it was the responsibility of the homeowner. He explained that he has brought this to the attention of the Township in prior years and the Township did ultimately maintain the detention basin but has not done so since 2019. He also provided the resolution of the Planning Board that stated that the detention basin was to be maintained every 6 months.

Elizabeth Cross – New Bedford Road:

- Ms. Cross asked about the EPA meeting. She further asked if notification will be sent to residents

near the site.

- She noted that someone sent her a video of a fight at Wall High School.
- She discussed some of her concerns with the High School and the Board of Education.
- Ms. Cross expressed her enthusiasm of her new method of obtaining public records. She asked that the Township Clerk post the responsive record to OPRAmachine.

Committeeman Becht:

- Committeeman Becht noted that it was disingenuous for Ms. Cross to compare Wall High School to Central Regional High School. He recommended that she could effectuate change by serving on the Board of Education.

Close Public Comment

Motion – Second - Roll Call Vote

Roll Call Vote: Close Public Comment

Committeeman Becht	Yea		
Committeeman Clayton	Motion - Yea		
Committeeman Orender	Yea		
Deputy Mayor Mangan	Second - Yea		
Mayor Farrell	Yea		
Yea	Nay	Recuse	Absent
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Closing Comments from the Township Committee and Business Administrator

Administrator Bertrand

- He explained that detention basins are usually the responsibility of the homeowner who purchased the home with the detention basin.
- He noted that the EPA will be making all notification and advertisement.

Deputy Mayor Mangan:

- She announced that it was international women's day and she thanked all of the hard-working women of the Township.

Mayor Farrell:

- He wished everyone a Happy Saint Patrick's Day.

Resolution No. 23-0306 - Authorization to discuss matters in private session:

- Anticipated Litigation – affordable housing
- Personnel

Motion - Second – Roll Call Vote

Roll Call Vote: 23-0306 Private Session

Committeeman Becht	Second - Yea
Committeeman Clayton	Yea
Committeeman Orender	Motion - Yea
Deputy Mayor Mangan	Yea
Mayor Farrell	Yea

Yea	Nay	Recuse	Absent
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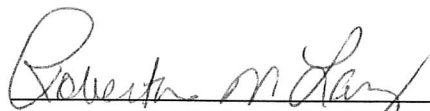
Return to Public Session and a Motion to Adjourn

Motion - Second - Voice Vote - All in Favor

Motion to Adjourn by **Committeeman Orender** and seconded by **Committeeman Becht**

Meeting adjourned at **8:46 pm**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roberta M. Lang", is written over a horizontal line.

Roberta M. Lang, RMC
Township Clerk